

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Original) A windscreen wiper device comprising an elastic, elongated carrier element, as well as an elongated wiper blade of a flexible material, which can be placed in abutment with a windscreen to be wiped, which wiper blade includes opposing longitudinal grooves on its longitudinal sides, in which grooves spaced-apart longitudinal strips of the carrier element are disposed, wherein neighbouring ends of said longitudinal strips are interconnected by a respective connecting piece, which windscreen wiper device comprises a connecting device for an oscillating arm, wherein said oscillating arm is pivotally connected to said connecting device about a pivot axis near one end, with the interposition of a joint part, characterized in that said connecting device is positioned at least substantially within said joint part.

2. (Original) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 1, wherein said joint part is attached to said connecting device by pivotally engaging protrusions of said connecting device at the location of said pivot axis in recesses provided in said joint part.

3. (Original) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 2, wherein said joint part has an at least substantially U-shaped cross-section at the location of its attachment to said connecting device, and wherein said joint part in each leg of said U-shaped cross-section is provided with a recess provided coaxially with said pivot axis.

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4. (Currently Amended) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the protrusions extend outwards on either side of said connecting device and wherein the protrusions are at least substantially cylindrical.

5. (Currently Amended) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 1 ~~any of the preceding claims 1 through 4~~, wherein said joint part is made of plastic.

6. (Currently Amended) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 1 ~~any of the preceding claims 1 through 5~~, wherein said joint part comprises at least one resilient tongue engaging in at least one ~~[[a]]~~ correspondingly shaped hole provided in said oscillating arm.

7. (Original) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 6, wherein the oscillating arm has an at least substantially U- shaped cross-section at the location of its connection to said joint part, and wherein said hole is provided in a base of said U-shaped cross-section.

8. (Currently Amended) A windscreen wiper ~~device~~ device according to claim 6 ~~or 7~~, wherein said joint part comprises at least two lateral resilient tongues extending outwardly, wherein the oscillating arm has an at least substantially U-shaped cross-section at the location of its connection to said joint part, and wherein each tongue engages in a correspondingly shaped hole provided in a leg of said U- shaped cross-section.

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9. (Currently Amended) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 6,7 ~~or 8~~, wherein said at least one hole has ~~(s) has/have~~ a closed circumference.

10. (Currently Amended) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 1 ~~any of the preceding claims 1 through 9~~, wherein the oscillating arm has an at least substantially U-shaped cross-section at the location of its connection to said joint part, and wherein each leg comprises clamping members which engage ~~round~~ around longitudinal sides of said joint part that face away from each other.

11. (New) A windscreen wiper device according to claim 1, wherein said connecting device is made of plastic.